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SUBJECT: CARE/TAJIKISTAN FY 2006 NOVEMBER CALL FORWARD FOR THE FY 2005-2009 TITLE II DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY PROGRAM

REF: A. CARE/TAJIKISTAN CALL FORWARD LETTER DATED OCTOBER 28, 2005

[B.](#) CARE/TAJIKISTAN AER DATED SEPTEMBER 29, 2005

[C.](#) BELLMON DETERMINATION FOR FY 2004

[1.](#) Mission concurs with CARE's re-submission of previous call forward postponed for below mentioned commodities for arrival in March, 2006. Mission supports CARE's request for commodities for distribution submitted on behalf of CARE, Save the Children and Counterpart.

[2.](#) Mission understands that current financial shortfalls have resulted in suspended global pipelines for USG supported food programming and is concerned by the implications that might impact the commodity allocation for Tajikistan. Mission requests DCHA/FFP to approve the full call forward.

[3.](#) Of this call forward, 1,740 MT OF WHEAT FLOUR, 160 MT OF VEGETABLE OIL and 130 MT OF LENTILS will be used for direct distribution.

[4.](#) Mission concurs with CARE's call forward of 1,740 MT(50 KG BAG) WHEAT FLOUR, 160 MT (4-LITER PLASTIC CAN) VEGETABLE OIL and 130 MT (50 KG BAG) LENTILS for March 2006 in-country arrival.

[5.](#) Specifications for commodities are:

Wheat Flour:

Grade: No. 1  
Minimum Protein Level: 9.0 percent  
Maximum Moisture Content: 14.0 percent  
Packing: 50 kg woven polypropylene bags  
Minimum Iron level: 20 mg/lb  
Quantity: 1,740 MT

Vegetable Oil, 4L:

Grade/Quality: Fortified Refined Vegetable Oil  
Packing: 4-liter (3.7kg) plastic containers, 6 containers per carton  
Quantity: 160 MT

Lentils:

Grade/Quality: per USDA standard  
Packing: 50 kg polypropylene bags  
Quantity: 130 MT

[6.](#) CARE has requested that its freight forwarder determine the ocean routing of commodities. Past ports for food deliveries to Tajikistan have included Rotterdam, Bremerhaven and Riga. These European ports are likely to be the points of entry for this shipment.

[7.](#) CARE and its implementing partners will arrange for storage and delivery of the commodities to the distribution sites through established networks.

[8.](#) The Bellmon analysis (ref. C) states that there is a large population in Tajikistan with inadequate access to food for consumption because of low incomes. The call forward Title II commodities will not compete with usual levels of commercial imports.

[9.](#) The Mission Director has further determined that the shipment of 1740 MT(50 KG BAG) WHEAT FLOUR, 160 MT (4-LITER PLASTIC CAN) VEGETABLE OIL and 130 MT (50 KG BAG) LENTILS for March 2006 in-country arrival is in compliance with the Bellmon requirements for P.L. 480 Title II activities and will cause no production disincentive or storage problems.

[10.](#) Mission requests DCHA/FFP approval of the full call forward level, to arrive in country in March 2006.

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